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Subject: South East Regional Design Review - Princes Parade

Dear Caroline,

I attach a copy of the 2016 SE Regional Design Review which I am not sure are part of the documents list.

Whilst I accept the inspector's comment at the pre-inquiry meeting that this design review was related to the planning application process and decision, which is not strictly the subject of the inquiry, there are however overlaps between the two. The earlier comments of the panel tie into some of the concerns I have about the road closure/diversion, as well as others. I think it adds weight to these arguments and should be given some consideration by the inspector where appropriate.

In summary the regional design panel felt the proposal to re-route Princes Parade to the north is misconceived. Section 4 of the report focused on the road realignment, including comments about its intrusive impact on a scheduled ancient monument, creation of parking problems and dilution of the character of the area, recommending traffic calming measures to the existing road instead. A Building for Life Assessment gave the proposals a red for working within the site context, creating well defined streets and spaces, and amber in relation to streets for all and car parking, these low to medium only ratings mainly due to a realigned road.

Yours Sincerely,
Terence Ellames